SPECIAL COVER

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

Resurrection Sunday

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Prelude "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!" arr. Diane Bish

The Choral Introit "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" *SOUTHERN HARMONY* Chancel Choir • Dr. Nathan Davy, *conductor*

Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of

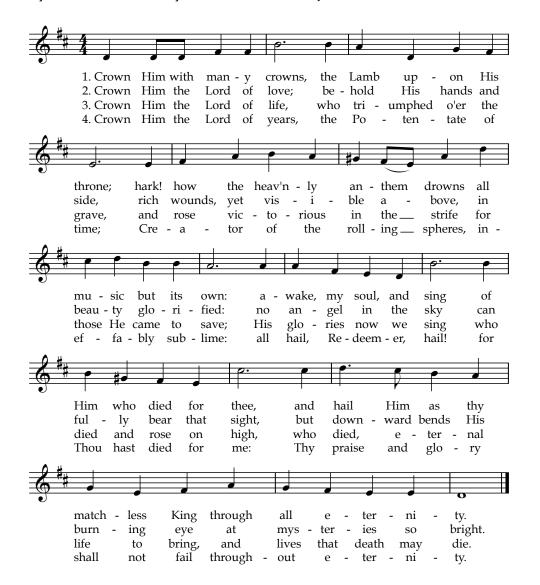
them that slept. O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is

your victory?

People: Christ is risen! Christ is risen!

People: (with a great voice) **The Lord is risen indeed!**

Alleluia. Alleluia! ALLELUIA!



*Prayer of Adoration concluding with

O GOD OF MY EXODUS.

great was the joy of Israel's sons when Egypt died upon the shore, far greater the joy when my Redeemer's foe lay crushed in the dust.

Jesus strides forth as the Victor,

Conqueror of death, hell and all oppos

Conqueror of death, hell and all opposing might. You burst the bands of death,

trampled the powers of darkness down and live forever.

You, my gracious Redeemer, apprehended for payment of my debt, came forth from the prison house of the grave free and triumphant over sin, Satan and death.

In You I died, in You I rose, in Your life I live, in Your victory I triumph, in Your ascension I shall be glorified for Your Names' sake. Amen!



Please be seated.

Public Confession of Sin

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 8:00 The Rev. Chad Scruggs 9:30 The Rev. Matt Fray 11:00

Lord Jesus Christ,

great was Your goodness in undertaking my redemption, in consenting to be made sin for me,

in conquering all my foes.

Great was Your love in manifesting Yourself alive,

in showing Your sacred wounds,

that every fear might vanish,

and every doubt be removed.

Great was Your mercy in ascending to heaven,

in being crowned and enthroned there to intercede for me,

there to help me in temptation,

there to open the eternal book,

there to receive me finally to Yourself.

Great was Your wisdom in devising this means of salvation;

bathe my soul in rich consolations of Your resurrection life.

O God, pardon all my sins, known and unknown,

felt and unfelt, confessed and not confessed,

remembered or forgotten.

Help me to be a holy, happy person,

free from every wrong desire,

from everything contrary to Your mind.

Grant me more and more of the resurrection life:

may it rule me,

may I walk in its power,

and be strengthened through its influence.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Promise of the Gospel

Hear the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ: I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I did not hide; I said, "I will confess my transgression to the Lord," and You did forgive the guilt of my sin.

Psalm 32.5

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Lamberth 8:00 Mr. Scruggs 9:30 Mr. Fray 11:00 **Musical Offering** "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" *Craig Courtney* Chancel Choir • Stephen Nielson, *piano* • J. Marty Cope, *conductor*

I know that my Redeemer lives, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though my body be destroyed, yet in my flesh shall I see God. Alleluia! I know that my Redeemer lives.

Now we see in a glass dimly, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I shall know as I am known. Allelulia! I know that my Redeemer lives.

*The Scripture Reading

Matthew 28

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.

- 2 And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.
- 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.
- 4 And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men.
- 5 But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.
- 6 He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay.
- 7 Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you."
- 8 So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples.
- 9 And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him.
- 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."
- 11 While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place.
- 12 And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers
- 13 and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole Him away while we were asleep.'
- 14 And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble."
- 15 So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been spread among the Jews to this day.
- 16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.
- 17 And when they saw Him they worshiped Him, but some doubted.
- 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.
- 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
- 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Sermon "See" Mr. Davis

*Closing Hymn "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" EASTER HYMN 1."Christ the Lord ris'n is day," A1 le lu ia! to -2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Al le lu ia! glo - rious a - gain our 3. Lives King; Αl le 111 ia! 4. Soar we now where Christ has Αl le led, lu ia! sons of Αl le lu ia! men and an - gels say; Christ has burst the gates of hell: Αl le lu ia! where, O death, is now thy sting? Αl le lu ia! fol-l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head; A1 le lu ia! raise your joys and tri - umphs high; A1 le ia! death in vain for - bids His rise; Al le lu ia! Once He died, our souls save; Al le lu ia! to made like Him, like Him Al we rise; le lu ia! Αl ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply. lu ia! le ia! Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al le lu where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Αl le lu ia! the cross, the grave, the skies, Al le. lu ia!

*An Easter Blessing

Minister: Grace and peace to you from Him who is, and who was, and

who is to come, from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

People: To Him who loves us, and has freed us from our sins by His

blood, and has made us to serve His God the Father—to Him

be glory and power forever and ever.

Choir: He is the First and the Last. He is the Living One. He was dead,

but behold, He is alive forever and ever!

Minister: Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

*Please stand if you are able.

Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Barbara and Ben Cervin; Carole Anne and Chris Axley; Wilson, James, and Lucy Axley; Kristyn and William Cervin.

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in memory of our precious daughter Lillian Keyes Merfeld on the year anniversary of her going home to be with the Lord Jesus.

"For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

Philippians 1.21

The flowers on the cross in front of the sanctuary steps were given by the children in celebration of our Savior's resurrection.

We thank the following musicians for their leadership in worship this morning:

Kyle Sherman, trumpet
Noah Lambert, trumpet
Molly Norcross, French horn
John Romero, trombone
Ryan Robinson, tuba
Drew Lang, timpani
Stephen Nielson, piano
Dr. David Fray, conductor
Dr. Nathan Davy, organ/conductor
J. Marty Cope, organ/conductor



We want to come alongside you in hospitality and prayer. At the conclusion of our services, there are people at the front of the sanctuary to meet and pray with you. You may also call our 24/7 prayer line: 214-224-2680 or email your request to our pastors at: pastorsprayer@pcpc.org.

If you are experiencing an unexpected pregnancy, you are loved. For support, please speak with us or call Thrive Women's Clinic at 214-343-9263 or Kari Stainback at 214-224-2738.

"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor . . . rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality." Romans 12.10, 12, 13

Senior Pastor

The Rev. Mark Davis

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The Rev. Bill Lamberth The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

The Rev. Tommy Overton The Rev. Matt Fray

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Come to the Feast

If any person is devout and loves God, let him come to this radiant triumphant feast.

If any person is a wise follower, let him enter into the joy of his Lord, rejoicing.

If any have fasted long, let him now receive refreshment.

If any have labored from the first hour, let him today receive his just reward.

If any came at the third hour, let him keep the feast with thankfulness.

If any arrived at the sixth hour, let him have no misgivings for he shall not be deprived.

If any delayed to the ninth hour, let him draw near, fearing nothing.

If any have waited even until the eleventh hour, let him not be alarmed at this tardiness.

For the Lord will accept the last even as the first.

Therefore, all of you, enter into the joy of your Lord.

Rich and poor together, hold high festival.

Diligent and heedless, honor this day.

Both you who have fasted, and you who did not fast, rejoice together today.

The table is full; all of you, feast sumptuously.

The calf is fatted; let no one go away hungry.

Enjoy the feast of faith; receive the riches of God's mercy.

Let no one bewail his poverty, for the fullness of the kingdom is revealed.

Let no one weep for his iniquities, for the forgiveness shines forth from the grave.

Let no one fear death, for the Savior's death has set us free.

He who was held prisoner by death has annihilated it.

By descending into death, He made death captive.

He angered it when it tasted of His flesh.

Isaiah saw this, and he cried:

Death was angered when it encountered You in the lower regions.

It was angered, for it was defeated.

It was angered, for it was mocked.

It was angered, for it was abolished.

It was angered, for it was overthrown.

It was angered, for it was bound in chains.

It received a body and it met God face to face.

It took earth and encountered heaven.

It took that which is seen and fell upon the unseen.

O Death, where is your sting?

O Grave, where is your victory?

Christ is risen and you are overthrown.

Christ is risen and the devils have fallen.

Christ is risen and the angels rejoice.

Christ is risen and life reigns.

Christ is risen and not one dead remains in the grave.

For Christ, being risen from the dead, is become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep, and to Him be glory and honor, even to eternity.

Amen.

SERMON NOTES

Matthew 28

"See"

Order of Worship for the Home - The Week of April 1, 2018

Praise

Call to Worship (everyone together)

Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory? Christ is risen! Alleluia!

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" (sing or say these words together)

Please refer to hymn on page seven.

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: Matthew 28 (one person read the Scripture aloud)

Questions for Discussion (may be answered in one worship time or spread over several times)

- 1. What did Mary Magdalene and the other Mary see and not see when they went to the tomb?
- 2. How many times do you see the word "see" in this story?
- 3. Why is it important that the disciples saw Jesus?
- 4. What did they do when they saw Jesus?
- 5. What will we do when we see Jesus?

Questions for older children

- 1. What is the connection between Easter and seeing Jesus?
- 2. Why did the soldiers and the authorities seek to spread a false story about Jesus?
- 3. Because all authority has been given to Jesus, how should we live our lives while we wait to see Him?

Scripture Memory for April (*memorize this passage of Scripture this month*)

Acts 14.21-22

When they had preached the gospel to that city and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God.

Prayer

Prayer (saying together)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.